

DECLARATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION,
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and that I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled MINERAL STAINS FOR WOOD AND OTHER SUBSTRATES, the specification of which was filed on May 28, 1997 as Application No. _____.

I hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and under § 119 of any provisional application listed and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Michael A. Gollin (Reg. No. 31957), George H. Spencer (Reg. No. 18,038), Norman N. Kunitz (Reg. No. 20,586), Robert J. Frank (Reg. No. 19,112), Gabor J. Kelemen (Reg. No. 21,016), Robert Kinberg (Reg. No. 26,924), John W. Schneller (Reg. No. 26,031), Ashley J. Wells (Reg. No. 29,847), Barbara S. Twardzik (Reg. No. 36,386), of 1100 New York Ave., N.W., Suite 300 East, Washington, D.C. 20005-3955. Address all correspondence to Michael A. Gollin, SPENCER & FRANK, 1100 New York Ave., N.W., Suite 300 East, Washington, D.C. 20005-3955, Telephone: (202) 414-4000, Telefax: (202) 414-4040.

The undersigned hereby authorizes the attorneys named herein to accept and follow instructions from the undersigned's assignee, if any, and/or, if the undersigned is not a resident of the United States, the undersigned's domestic attorney, patent attorney or patent agent, as to any action to be taken in the Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the attorneys and the undersigned. In the event of a change in the person(s) from whom instructions may be taken, the attorneys named herein will be so notified by the undersigned.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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